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April 15, 2003

Ref: 3346-21941

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Post Office Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application  
LBLD Zone, Reservoir A SUA  
QUEEN BESS ISLAND FIELD  
Jefferson Parish, Louisiana  
Applicant: 3Tec Energy Corporation

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of 3Tec Energy Corporation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the LBLD Zone, Reservoir A, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 320 acres for the LBLD Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the LBLD RA SUA, Queen Bess Island Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;

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In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated April 4, 2003 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Monday, April 28, 2003. No requests to confer were received in writing or by telephone, and in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the LBLD Zone, Reservoir A, Queen Bess Island Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, and a list of ~~the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and~~ interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Leon Comeaux of Leon Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette La 70505 (337) 233-9839.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

  
B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson  
District Manager  
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,  
Represented Parties and

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LBLD RA SUA  
(UNDRILLED)  
± 320 ACRES

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SL 17617

Fou Loy Co.

SL 17739

Paul G. Adams &  
Ada L. Reynolds

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Adams  
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